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Gentlemen:

*This letter is in protest to the intended rate hike for SC & G customers. I am extremely displeased to learn that this electric company would entertain the idea of a rate hike in these recessionary times. There is no reason to believe that the country could begin to pull itself out of this recession if its leaders and especially its utilities are seeking additional monies from individuals who are barely making ends meet! It is surely time to stand and say "enough!" I am vehemently against any rate hike in the near future. Gentlemen, tighten your belts, bite the bullet, and suck it up! We have all lost money in one way or another. Let's stand together and weather this storm without the fear of any additional charges to the consumer.*

Regards.

*Victoria Buckley*